

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 572 - SB 1070

March 20, 2013

SUMMARY OF BILL: Removes veterinarians from the *Tennessee Prescription Safety Act of 2012*. Removes veterinarians from the definition of “health care practitioner” and “prescriber,” thereby removing the requirement that veterinarians who prescribe any Schedule II, III, IV and V controlled substances have to submit information to the controlled substance database.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Health, this bill may have minimal impact on the Department’s regulation of veterinarians, and any decrease in expenditures the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners experience, will be spread out to licensees of the Board through decreased licensure fees.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all regulatory boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners had closing balances of \$80,638 in FY10-11, \$84,380 in FY11-12, and a closing reserve balance of \$180,990 on June 30, 2012.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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